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Bus route from Irritty to Koothuparamba

* 2479 Q.—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representations from either the public or individuals to start a new bus route from Irritty to Koothuparamba; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Reinstatement of certain dismissed officers

* 2480 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the amount paid or payable to Sri K. M. Rajagopalan, I.C.S., by the Government towards his salary consequent on the decision of the High Court for the period during which he was not in service; and

(b) whether he and others connected with him, if any, have been reinstated in service after the said decision, and if so, to what offices and under what conditions of service?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) No amount has been paid as an appeal is pending in the Supreme Court and the matter is *sub judice*.

(b) No action has been taken as the matter is *sub judice*.

SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : Without going into the merits of this case and the facts of this case, do not the Government realize at least now that this is a most helpless and anomalous position to be dictated to by the servants, the Government being the masters? Is it not desirable to change or alter the existing service conditions to enable the Government to purify the administration and improve its efficiency by pruning such undesirable officials once for all? Is it also not desirable to prevail upon the Centre and urge them to suitably change or amend the Constitution so that the service of such servants could be terminated effectively and they may not be able to have further recourse and protract the proceedings?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The hon. Member has made very useful suggestions which do not arise out of this question.

* 2481 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the amount, if any, paid by the Government to one Sri C. S. Rajagopala Ayyar, Stationary Sub-Magistrate, towards his salary for the period during which he was under orders of dismissal; and

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(*b*) whether he was reinstated in service, and if so, to what office and under what conditions of service?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) & (*b*) The matter is *sub judice*, and it will not be ni the interest of the public to divulge any information at this stage.

SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : As far as my knowledge goes, it has been finally decided. Anyway, as the Hon. Minister has said that the matter is *sub judice*, may I know at what stage the matter is pending and before which court?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, there was a decision of a single Judge. We have filed an appeal against that and it is pending.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, what earthly purpose does this answer serve on the floor of this House when the matter is said to be *sub judice*? Will it not be better to keep such questions pending and give the answer on the floor of the House after the matter had been finally disposed of?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The question will have to be closed and the hon. Member concerned should also know that the matter is *sub judice*. So, such an answer is quite appropriate.

SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : Was the termination made by the Government on the score of corruption on the part of the official?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir. The matter went before the Tribunal and on the recommendation of the Tribunal this official was removed from service.

Dispensary for Mannarghat firka

* 2483 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to open a dispensary at Kalladicode or Karimba in Mannarghat firka, Malabar?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : No, Sir.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Government be prepared to start the dispensary if the people come forward to contribute fifty per cent of the cost?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : The people may make that offer to the district board. It is their responsibility.